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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Jo Ann Cowles of Springfield, who passed away on June 24, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Jo Ann Cowles was born in Petersburg to Gilbert and Freda Stull on August 4, 1937; she moved to Springfield in 1942; she graduated from Springfield High School in 1955 and married William J. Cowles that same year; and

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WHEREAS, Jo Ann Cowles retired in 1999 from the State of Illinois after 28 years of service; and

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WHEREAS, Jo Ann Cowles was active at Concordia Lutheran Church for 35 years; she belonged to the Prayer Chain, the Lunch Bunch, and various Bible study groups; she joined Our Savior's Lutheran Church in April of 2011 and belonged to the Prayer Chain there as well and the Seekers Bible group; and

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WHEREAS, Jo Ann Cowles was preceded in death by her parents and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins; and

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WHEREAS, Jo Ann Cowles is survived by her daughters, Bonnie (Jim) Williams, and Kris Grove; her sons, William G. (Susan) Cowles, and Michael (Sheila) Cowles; nine grandchildren; and

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1 one great-grandchild; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
4 Jo Ann Cowles, and extend our sincere condolences to her
5 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to the family of Jo Ann Cowles as an expression of
9 our deepest sympathy.